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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to add my statement to the testimony for the urgent need for Fisheries management in the Upper Cook Inlet to maintain a healthy population of salmon. I feel this is important so that the natural resources are maintained for future generations. Also it is an important part of the economy in the area.

I own a vacation lodging business. It is on the Matanuska side of the Valley but nevertheless, about 25 to 35% of my business involves visitors who have come to this area for the fishing opportunities. I just made a reservation this week for a couple who are returning for the 3rd year in the Mat-Su Valley almost completely to fish and relax. They will be staying for 2 weeks. A 2 week reservation is considered a very nice addition to my income for the short summer season. And to have returning customers is also of value.

So, thank you for considering my input and that of others in making decisions about our important fish resources.

Sincerely.

Diane Rose Many

Owner